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I believe the proposed settlement will do little to curb Microsoft's monopolistic domination of desktop computer software. There is much in the proposed settlement that is ambiguous and would allow Microsoft to define terms, e.g., "API" and "Microsoft Middleware", and then state they are in compliance based on their definitions. I also believe the proposed settlement will be harmful to Open Source software. Since Open Source applications tend to be on non-Microsoft operating systems, any resulting loss of market share by Open Source software indirectly harms competing operating systems.

Sincerely,

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